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Inventors. Nicholas McMahon Turner, et al.

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For: Medical Devices

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed August 9, 2006, please amend the claims as follows: